

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

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SENATE BILL 497

Short Title: Expanded West. Crime Lab/Existing State Bldg. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Daniel (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 28, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
2 WESTERN CRIME LABORATORY FACILITY IN MORGANTON AND TO
3 APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE STAFFING FOR THE LABORATORY.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Justice shall establish a Western Regional Crime
7 Laboratory at a suitable location on underutilized State property on either the campus of
8 Broughton Hospital or the North Carolina School of the Deaf in Morganton.

9 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
10 Justice the sum of two million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$2,900,000) for the 2013-2014
11 fiscal year to provide the costs for renovating property for establishment of a Western Regional
12 Crime Laboratory, as directed by Section 1 of this act.

13 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
14 Justice the sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) for the 2013-2014
15 fiscal year and the sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) for the
16 2014-2015 fiscal year to establish 19 positions to staff the Western Regional Crime Laboratory
17 upon its establishment.

18 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.

